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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE:

PARAGUAYANS ANTONIO MAIDANA AND EMILIO ROA

H PASS: THE HONORABLE HOWARD M. METZENBAUM
U.S. SENATOR

DEAR SENATOR METZENBAUM:

I AM WRITING IN RESPONSE TO YOUR LETTER OF AUG 25, 1981
CONCERNING THE SITUATION OF PARAGUAYANS ANTONIO MAIDANA AND
EMILIO ROA. THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN AWARE OF THE REPORT OF THE
DISAPPEARANCE OF THESE MEN FROM BUENOS AIRES FOR SOME TIME.
THE ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES HAVE DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGEHJNSTHE
CIRCUMSNTANCES SURROUNDING THEIR REPORTED DISAPPEARANCE ON
AUG 27, 1980 FROM BUENOS AIRES. AS YOU KNOW
BOTH WERE LEADERS OF THE PARAGUAYAN COMMUNIST PARTY. WHILE
ROA WAS REPORTEDLY A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF ARGENTINA, MAIDANA
--IT WAS REPORTED AT THE TIME -- HAD ENTERED ARGENTINA WITH
FALSE DOCUMENTATION NOT LONG BEFORE HE WAS REPORTED
TO HAVE DISAPPEARED. BEYOND THAT, WE HAVE NO FURTHER
INFORMATION ON THE WHEREABOUTS OR WELFARE OF THE
TWO MEN. PLEASE BE ASSURED, HOWEVER, THAT THE
EMBASSY WILL BE ALERT TO ANY NEW INFORMATION AND
I WILL LET YOU KNOW IMMEDIATELY SHOULD WE LEARN
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ANYTHING MORE. SINCERELY, HARRY W. SHLAUDEMAN,
AMBASSADOR.

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